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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant: Anand D. SANKRUTHI
Title: VOLUME TYPE DETERMINATION FOR DISK VOLUMES
MANAGED BY A LDM
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Sir:

Appellant is in receipt of a second Examiner's Answer dated November 16, 2007, which appears to be exactly the same as a first Examiner's Answer dated May 21, 2007. Since Appellant's first Reply Brief (filed July 20, 2007) addressed the deficiencies of the rejections made in the first Examiner's Answer, no further substantive arguments are deemed needed in this second Reply Brief.

Respectfully submitted,

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